



RCE
PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re application of:
LAM2P295

Wen-Ben CHOU et al.

Application No: 09/998,858

Filed: October 31, 2001

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR NITRIDE
SPACER ETCH PROCESS IMPLEMENTING -
IN SITU INTERFEROMETRY ENDPOINT
DETECTION AND NON-INTERFEROMETRY
ENDPOINT MONITORING

) Attorney Docket No:

) Examiner: Chen, Kin Chan

) Group Art Unit: 1765

) Date: December 16, 2004

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____.
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____.
- iii. ☐ Other _____.
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months.
- b. ☐ Other

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3. Fees

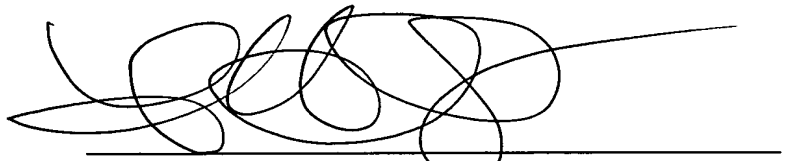
	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Previously Paid For	Present Extra	SMALL ENTITY RATE FEE	OR	LARGE ENTITY RATE FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	<u>24</u>	- 25 =	<u>0</u>	x25 = \$	OR	x50 = \$ 0.00
INDEP CLAIMS	<u>06</u>	- 08 =	<u>0</u>	x100 = \$	OR	x200 = \$ 0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Multiple Dependent Claim Presented				\$180 = \$	OR	\$360 = \$ 0.00
			Sub-Total	\$ _____	OR	Total \$ <u>0.00</u>

a. ☒ Check in the amount of \$ 910.00 is enclosed for:

- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e);
- ii. ☒ Applicant(s) hereby petition for a one-month extension of time to respond to the outstanding Office Action. (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17); and
- iii. ☒ The Applicant believes that no (additional) Extension of Time is required; however, if it is determined that such an extension is required, the Applicant hereby petitions that such an extension be granted and authorize the Commissioner to charge the required fees for an Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136 to Deposit Account No. 50-0805.

b. ☒ If the required fees are missing or any additional fees are required to facilitate filing the enclosed response, please charge such fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0805 (Order No. LAM2P295). A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Date: December 16, 2004


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